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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Y. Granik et al.

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Examiner: T.H. Stevens

Title: METHOD OF COMPENSATING FOR ETCH EFFECTS IN
PHOTOLITHOGRAPHIC PROCESSING

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 /
PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Seattle, Washington 98101

February 9, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application, in which prosecution is closed.

X 1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows:

X a. Please consider the Amendment/Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on December 2, 2005.

 b. Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on , which arguments are hereby incorporated by reference.

 c. An Amendment/Response is enclosed herewith.

 d. An Information Disclosure Statement, as well as copies of the cited references, is being filed concurrently herewith.

X 2. Also enclosed is a petition to revive an unintentionally abandoned patent application.

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X 3. Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the final Office Action, dated August 2, 2006, set to expire on November 2, 2006, be extended by 3 months, to expire on February 2, 2006. The 3-month extension fee is \$1020. However, the one-month fee of \$120 was paid on December 2, 2005, leaving \$900 in extension fees.

X 4. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below.

X a. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

X b. The enclosed amendment adds claims in excess of the number previously paid for. The claim fees are calculated as shown.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed After Any Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee	-	=	x	=	790
Total Claims	20	25	0	50	0
Independent Claims	6	7	0	200	0
Extension of Time				+	1020
Less Extension Fee Already Paid (1 month)					-120
TOTAL					\$1690

X 5. Please charge the above fees to Deposit Account No. 03-1740.

X 6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

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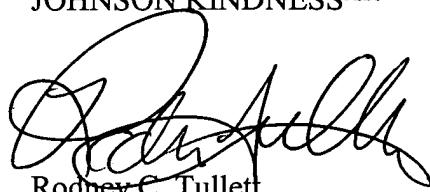
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